

Remarks

Applicant hereby elects for further prosecution claims 1-9, 17-30, which are the claims of Group I, according to the Examiner's classification. Applicants have canceled the nonelected claims (claims 10-16), although Applicants reserve their right to file a continuation application directed to the subject matter of the nonelected claims prior to the issuance of a patent on those claims elected for further prosecution at this time.

An action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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